

Library Bond Act Grant Applications - Cycle 1 Individual Application Summary

<i>Project Name [Number]</i>	Bloomington Branch (San Bernardino County Library) 1005	<i>Current Square Footage</i>	4,000
<i>Applicant</i>	San Bernardino, County of	<i>Project Square Footage</i>	12,607
<i>Operating Library Jurisdiction</i>	San Bernardino County Library	<i>Service Area Population:</i>	19,318
<i>Project Type</i>	New Library	<i>Anticipated Construction Start Date:</i>	1/20/2003
<i>Project Priority</i>	1st	<i>Total Project Amount</i>	\$3,038,368
<i>Joint Use Type</i>	Joint Venture	<i>State Grant Amount</i>	\$1,857,939
<i>Multipurpose?</i>	NO		
<i>Leased Site:</i>	NO		

Bond Act Factors [California Code of Regulations Title 5, Section 19998 (a)]

	Rated	Other
<i>Urban/Rural:</i>		[see map]
<i>Population Growth:</i>		147%
<i>Financial capacity of applicant to open and maintain operation of the library (new libraries only):</i>		Yes
<i>Age and Condition of Existing Library:</i>	Poor Condition (= Very Good)	
<i>Inadequacy of the existing library in meeting needs of residents and the response of proposed project to meeting the needs:</i>	Acceptable	
<i>Plan of Service integrates appropriate technology:</i>	Acceptable	
<i>Appropriateness of Proposed Site:</i>	Very Good	
Overall Rating:		Acceptable

Summary of Review Panel Comments

Population Growth 147%

Age and Condition of Existing Facility Existing facility was built in 1966 and has not been renovated. Major deficiencies of the current leased facility: does not meet ADA standards; inadequate technology infrastructure; inadequate space for all service functions; is located away from the current population growth.

Needs of Residents/Response of Proposed Project to Needs The needs assessment included involvement by a broad range of community members, but the demographics are difficult to interpret. While the needs assessment indicates that 60% of parents of high school students are limited English speakers, the need for services to those who do not speak English is not fully discussed.

The plan of service includes only broad goals, which are well stated and based on conclusions drawn from the needs assessment. No implementation plan or service indicators are included and plans for services to those who do not speak English is minimal.

The building program implements the plan of service, providing spaces to provide the services indicated in the plan. Spatial relationships and individual spaces are well described.

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The conceptual plans adequately incorporate the requirements of the building program.

Joint use agreement: Homework Center The agreement does not represent a partnership between the two parties. The school district will provide only assistance in recruiting volunteers to assist with the joint venture services and encouraging use of the services.

Plan of Service Integrates Appropriate Technology Recognition of the importance of technology to library service is indicated by the recent creation of a new position for coordination of electronic resources and training in their use. The building program mentions technology only briefly, in general terms. Individual space sheets do not indicate what the technology needs are or describe the potential uses of electronic technology or resources. There will be six study rooms with connections or laptops and personal computing needs.

Appropriateness of Proposed Site The site is accessible by public and private transportation, by bicycle, and by foot. The site size is adequate for the proposed library, and there are no conditions on the site that require special design solutions.

Financial Capacity The applicant has committed to the on-going operation of the completed library.